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S.G.A. Saves Dock...

The Student Government Association, in an effort to save the dock on Lake Jovita from destruction in the next few weeks, voted to give SGA President Jim Loiacono authority to negotiate with College and Abbey officials.

As a representative of the Abbey Business Office, Br. John-Mark put the Senate on notice that the lease between the Abbey and the College for the dock had been broken off. The Abbey had been leasing the dock to the College since 1971 for a dollar a year. Under the terms of the lease, all repairs were to be made at the expense of the College. During this time, no repairs were made and the dock has deteriorated significantly. There is a need for new support braces and several new planks. The condition of the pilings is good, however, according to Br. opportunity to pick up the lease and save the dock. The cost would be $1 per year, payment of liability insurance (approximately $200) and the making of necessary repairs.

In a meeting held Friday afternoon with Mr. Richmond, Fr. Henry Riffle, the Abbey Business Manager, and Jim Loiacono, a preliminary agreement was reached for the lease of the dock and approximately 3/4 acre of land surrounding it. Mr. Richmond stated that he would pay the liability insurance and thought John-Mark.

Br. John-Mark said Mr. Richmond had offered to have the College workmen dismantle the dock, although he had not offered to make repairs, citing a lack of student interest as the reason.

On behalf of the Abbey, Br. John-Mark offered the SGA the that the idea of SGA leasing the dock was a "great idea."

Further details will be worked out for Senate consideration Thursday.

...Hires Lawyer

The Student Senate acted last Thursday to approve a motion to hire a lawyer to assist the Student Government Association in preparing for the Board of Trustees meeting.

SGA President Jim Loiacono and Carlos Mendez, chairman of the Student Rights Committee, meet in Tampa with the lawyer Wednesday and discussed the legal problems that Saint Leo students face. Mr. Robert Mackenzie will prepare a brief of precedents and he will also compile a list of recommendations which the SGA might follow in trying to change school policies.

Mr. Mackenzie is currently reviewing the College's Student Handbook to determine its legal status, as well as the SGA constitution. Students will meet to discuss policy changes with Mackenzie prior to the February Board of Trustees meeting, in order that the board may act upon the recommendations at that time.

The Senate voted to allocate an initial $200 for the lawyer's services. The suggestion was also made by Liz Shonter that attorneys for the National Student Association and the American Civil Liberties Union be contacted for their legal opinions concerning the legal status given to private institutions by the courts. It is the argument of the college administration that a private institution is more or less immune from civil rules regarding student life policies. Recently, however, precedents to the contrary have become law.

Last Weekend Around Town

Joe Grund

Last Friday everyone was psyched for the weekend. There was a lot happening! All the Frats were getting together at the KA property for seven kegs. The Headliner was changing hands, and everyone figured that Neil would go out with a bang and that Joe Byrne would pickup with a blast. Well, those visions of grandeur were somehow drowned in beer.

Friday, the IFC thought it was due time to get all the frats together over a few beers and find out if they could fraternalize "off campus." It was bad enough that they disagreed and split up over the new IFC, but when they disagreed and split over "burning a bench," it made their solidarity questionable. The big names were really in their prime, Dennis Mullen was going to burn that damnbench and no one was going to stop him. It's funny when a student who holds a SGA position thinks that he is the only one who should talk at a student gathering. He must have gotten to the kegs early. So did the guy who wanted to burn Billy Breen.

From there all the men went to the Headliner. Since they were stenched, they didn't mind paying half a buck to listen to Neil's "record rollers." Neil packed 'em in alright, the lines to get a beer were worse than those at registration. I saw a guy come out with a bloody nose and I asked him what happened. He said he fell on his face. Now, I ask you, "Is this the kind of atmosphere you expected to find at college? "

But Saturday night, now that was a real change at the Headliner. Three screaming yo-yo's, rolling records and jive-assing around the two foot stage. "Joe Byrne, you're a credit to Saint Leo, someday you'll be a trustee. The only thing that blasted was your 'rock 'n roll bombshell.' "

What is a student to do? What does Saint Leo have to offer, but a can of beer at the Cage in front of the TV? I'd rather do that at home.

Sheriff Arrests Six Students

The Pasco County Sheriffs Department this weekend raided an early morning party at the Orange Valley Mobile Home Park in San Ann. The raid took place at approximately 3:21 in the morning. Involved in the incident were some 100 Saint Leo students and several sheriffs deputies.

Arrested on charges of unlawful assembly were David DeMarko, Robert DiNucci, Mark Erb, Terry Gibbons, Charles Hanretta and John Zoller. The six were detained in the Pasco County jail until 8:00 Saturday morning and were released after payment of $27 bail. One of those arrested told Monarch that "I was just sitting on the steps and they handcuffed me."

Dawn Hickey, the park owner, contacted later by the Monarch said that she had, in an effort to help the students, asked them to quiet down, telling them that a convoy of sheriffs deputies was on the way. Mrs. Hickey noted that she was not aware of any noise until what she termed as a complaint from a "chronic complainer" was lodged with her by telephone at 3:00 in the morning. Mrs. Hickey said she understands college students and likes them. Asked if there was any property damage, she said, "no, the only damage might have been a few hurt egos."

Present at the scene was the Saint Leo - San Ann police department who, lacking jurisdiction in the park, could only assist in the direction of traffic following the incident.

Those arrested go to court on the 17th of February.

Commenting on the entire affair, a park resident stated, "This was not the first noisy party held out here and I am sure there will be others."

OIL AT SAINT LEO?

Representatives of the Santa Fe Drilling Import & Export Corp. and Coastal Oil and Gas Corporation of Orange, California, were in the Saint Leo vicinity earlier last week. According to Mr. J. F. Renaghan, Santa Fe's engineer, the area northeast of Lake Jovita was surveyed for the possibility of oil and natural gas deposits. The results of the survey and sample collection, which was done for a private land owner, were not divulged. In an attempt to gain more information, Monarch contacted Santa Fe's Miami office, however, the company declined to comment on the matter.

Car Of The The Week

St. Leo Police Car Awaiting Repairs After Wrap With TECO Pole

Students Moving In Positive Directions

Saint Leo students are coming to demand more from those that govern them and are no longer accepting the old fashioned B.S. explanations about why things are the way they are. They are also coming to demand more of themselves.

Students are moving toward action on their own without prodding from persons that want them to go in pre-established directions. Students are asking questions about why things are the way they are and then seeking means to set things right.

The SGA has hired a lawyer in order to put itself in a position to better deal with the arguments of administrators and trustees who in the past have cited the law as their authority. Students have come to realize that the law is a two way street and that all the relevant facts may not have been brought out in the past. There may come the realization the law can be their authority as well.

The Inter Fraternity Council has withstood an attempt to dissolve it. There have been very open and frank exchanges between the fraternities involved and the administration. Despite internal splits in some fraternities over the past few weeks, they have held together and have become stronger as a result. Strangely enough both sides in the matter held last weekend's athletic activities off campus. There is still hope that students will reach a compromise on their own without outside intervention forcing a settlement.

The students have the good will of the Abbey with them, as demonstrated through the latter's willingness to lease their dock to the Saint Leo student body.

There is in the Circle K organization a renewed drive and concern for people and their environment. This group staged a clean up effort in the middle of Dade City Saturday morning as a first step in doing something about their environment.

One might add that students this year are using the library in larger numbers than in the past. Who can recall when the words "busy" or "crowded" were applied to the library and not the Cage, which incidentally is curtailing its operations. Who thought they would see the day when draft beer would not be served at the Cage? One hears rumors that the Cage may soon close its doors, leaving the off campus bars for those who seek beverage and companionship. May I be so bold as to suggest that the library, so long neglected by those who thought it wiser to renovate the Cage and expand Saint Leo's already vast athletic facilities (vast when one considers the physical plant and annual operating budget), be the recipient of the funds that would have been pumped into the continued operation of the Cage.

There is one continuing problem that is a blemish on the student body, that is vandalism. While perpetrated by the very few, it looms large as a negative reflection on the behavior of the many. Vandalism costs students money for repairs that would otherwise, so we are told, go into improvements so badly needed in the dorms.

There are three months left in the school year. Let's all work together to insure that we as students continue to attain an increasing respect for ourselves and others.

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Publicity Or Ecology ?

Jerry Mullligan

Dr. Thomas B. Southard, President of Saint Leo College, has made it known this week that ecology is no longer a concern of his. The already crippled and understaffed volunteer ecology program has been denied the future use of the college truck that it has been using to transport materials to Tampa for recycling.

Last year, when ecology was the in thing, Dr. Southard paraded in front of the TV cameras and with a big smile gave full support to the program. But when the cameras left campus, so did Dr. Southard's support. In cutting off this minimal aid, Dr. Southard showed his total misunderstanding of the program. To many of us, ecology was not just another publicity stunt. It was our way of trying to help clean up the environment.

Dr. Southard has been made the head of the grounds crew by the Board of Trustees and now he is concerned about cleaning up the area. But his idea of cleaning up needs some revision. The grounds crew picks up garbage in one place and dumps it in another. The idea behind the ecology program is to take materials and have them recycled for future use. The program can run at an economically sound level because the program receives money for the materials gathered. But there is no glamour in picking up aluminum cans and broken bottles. There are no TV cameras to follow one around collecting discarded newspapers.

The cost to the college for using the truck is zero. The studens who drove the truck were covered by insurance and worked for nothing. Not even publicity.

At one time Dr. Southard said he wanted "to make Saint Leo an ecological oasis." He cut classes short one day and gathered the entire school together to hear his grand ecology plans. There was applause and pictures and TV cameras. Now they are gone and so is Dr. Southard's support. Dr. Southard, we ask you to explain.

Students Part I

Responsibility Where Does It Rest ?

Leo Zarifian

The first installment in this four part series deals with student responsibility. Before beginning, however, let me define exactly what responsibility is. In the most simple of terms, it means that you do your thing without keeping me from doing my thing. When your thing begins to interfere with my thing, then you are not acting in a responsible manner. Of course, it's a two way street: when my thing interferes with your doing your thing, then I'm the one who's irresponsible.

Now, back to the student. Recently, there has been a vigorous movement at Saint Leo regarding the right of the student to choose where living accommodations are situated. In an effort to change the present regulations, the Student Government Association has petitioned parents for their views concerning the rights of students to determine whether they may live on or off campus. Last week, it became apparent that there are some students who are not yet prepared to accept the responsibility of living off campus. At two in the morning, an estimated 150 Saint Leo students decided it was their right to begin a loud outdoor party at the Orange Valley Mobile Park. After about a half hour, the police were called in and the party was broken up. The amazing thing is, the complaint of noise to the sheriff came, not from non-student residents of the park, but from other students who live there. Those students, who had to be up the next morning to go to work, were probably in the very small minority, but their rights to have a quiet night of slumber were just as important as the rights of the 150 other students to congregate.

It may seem that I am making a case for the administration's point of view with this article. However, one of those arrested was a floor director in on-campus housing.

Although the entire incident was a relatively minor one, it points out the fact that at least 150 Saint Leo students are not prepared to accept the full responsibility of adulthood. Are you one of them?

Rocky Seeks To Buy Democracy

Jerry Mulligan

Citizens living in a democracy often take certain rights that are guaranteed by a constitution for granted. America is no exception. We have our freedom of speech and always expect it to be around. A few of us in the 60s voiced our opposition to the Vietnam war too vocally and in the wrong places and received various violent physical inflictions. Kent State is a memorial to all of us to remind us how free we can be with our speech.

In a democracy the freedom of the press is as important as the freedom of speech.

Last weekend in South Vietnam, President Thieu arrested and imprisoned the 12 largest newspaper owners who had disagreed with his administration. Most likely we will never hear from these men again.

On the very day that Thieu pulled this malicious act, Vice President Nelson Rockefeller, ex-liberal, asked Congress to give $300,000,000 more to Vietnam for defense spending. According to Rockefeller, if we do not spend this money in Vietnam, democracy will fall. Rockefeller is actually reverting back to the McCarthy era and saying that he fears that the communist forces will take over.

Mr. Rockefeller should be aware of a few facts. First of all, South Vietnam is not a democracy. It is a dictatorship of the worst kind. There are no civil liberties in Vietnam. Those who voice opposition to the government are jailed and tortured. For 21 years America has been giving aid both financially and physically (50,000 deaths) to Vietnam. Still, Vietnam cannot put down its alleged enemies from the north.

We should stop all aid to South Vietnam immediately and start offering aid to the North. Thieu and his crooks will fall overnight. If Mr. Rockefeller wants to give aid to the dictatorship in South Vietnam, let him do it with his own money. He's got enough of it.

Special Note of Thanks

I would like to thank those who sent cards and spent time with me during my recent illness.

Al Love

Profile..One Of Six

Anderson Hopes To Impart Religious Awareness

Liz Shonter

It is difficult to decide just what the world is coming to in many aspects of life. Religion, in particular, seems to be changing its role in society. This change is one of the primary concerns of a dedicated faculty member at Saint Leo, Dr. Tyson Anderson.

Dr. Anderson came to Saint Leo from Temple University, where he studied many religious cultures, in particular, the Catholic and Protestant religions. The core program at Temple involved the study of a religion other than one's own. Thus, Dr. Anderson also studied Buddhism and many other oriental religions. The primary quest was to discover just what is religion and what place does it have in today's world. Is it a part of man's experience that he has grown out of, or is it still a vital part of the human element? Dr. Anderson sought to learn about the fundamental truths of all religions, to see if there was a connection between these experiences and the development of man.

The result of these studies has been a concerned, coherent individual who provides Saint Leo students with the challenge of reexamining the religious experience. Dr. Anderson's perception of religion is that it has given man (universal) the opportunity to experience the world as a feeling, thinking, human being. "These fundamental aspects have given life more meaning."

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The universe is more than just economic development. People have to live here after they have made economic and technological advances. "Religion to me is a necessary element to lead a fully developed life."

Although Dr. Anderson believes that religion will always be a rational response to the pressing questions of life, he questions the role it now plays. "That's one reason why I really like Saint Leo, because the religious aspect of life is seriously considered in the school's philosophy. I feel that things will get better at Saint Leo, the school will survive and get better. Religious awareness will also grow."

In saying that religious awareness will grow, Dr. Anderson is not limiting religion to one concept. "People will begin to get another perspective on religion and give serious, thoughtful consideration to the fundamental ideas which run throughout religious philosophies. Religion represents the fundamental values of what culture is all about. Religion is of fundamental human importance and gives man an appreciation of the spiritual aspect of life."

Dr. Anderson has been married 13 years and has two children, Amy his five year old daughter and John his seven month old son. His family is the most important aspect of his life and has given him great fulfillment. "Our children have made a tremendous change in our life. It's difficult to explain it. Amy was born when I was writing my dissertation and before her birth my wife and I had exchanged our traditional roles. Even after Amy's birth, I'd babysit or do the shopping or clean house, and Susan would work. We're both glad to be where we are now. Susan's happy to be home and I'm happy with my job, too."

Being a parent has given Dr. Anderson the opportunity to apply his ideas concerning religion. Thus, he tries to familiarize his children with religious truths and to explain falsehoods when they are used to get across a meaning. "We want our children to see that there is more to life and to be aware of the mysterious aspects of life." But he does not want these at the expense of his children being misled. "If there is a true story from the Bible, I tell Amy, now this really happened, but if there's a fable, I tell her this was something people wrote to show how powerful they believed God to be." The result of this seems to be that at five years of age, Amy is able to recognize the presence of a spiritual aspect of life, without being engulfed by the traditional mores which go with most religions.

Awareness such as this is what Dr. Anderson hopes to be able to impart to his students as well as his children. Perhaps this is one reason why Saint Leo students and other members of the college community should seek out courses of religious study, not for one single religion, but to attempt to discern basic truths which are universally prevalent in every aspect of religious life. This is just one side of what one religion and philosophy teacher offers the college community.

Fees Food For Thought

TO: Louis J. O'Gorman, Vice President for Student Affairs
FROM: Robert E. Richmond, Vice President for Business Affairs
SUBJECT: Facility and Support Fee, Drop and Add Fee, Graduation Fee

These three fees are deposited in the General Revenue Fund, the same as tuition. There is no absolute way of providing information as to what these fees are spent for. However, in general terms, they go to provide the salaries of faculty and staff, purchase library books, pay utilities, etc.

The philosophy behind creating such fees may be the question you are raising, rather than what they are spent for. If that be the case, then I can say that:

1. The Facility and Support Fee was created in the fiscal year 1974-75 to help defer the costs which are created by non-resident students, who in actuality, contribute nothing to the dormitory or food services, or to other recreational facilities on campus, since they do not have to pay resident charges.

2. The Drop and Add Fee was created to help defer the costly processing of dropping and adding. However, if one was to analyze the total cost of personnel involved, it would probably be found that the five dollar fee does not cover the cost.

3. The Graduation Fee was created to help defer the cost of graduation announcements, invitations, cards and various items needed for this event. Analyzing the cost information from last year, it was found that the amount collected from the students did not cover the total cost of graduation.

This BRIEF explanation should clarify what these fees are for.

Will The Heat Ever Get Turned Off In Lewis Hall ?

Dear Editor:

Students are constantly facing one economic administrative enactment after another at Saint Leo College. The administration says that these are for students' benefits, but actually they are more for the college pocketbook than anything else.

The environment of the school is so beautiful that the students are supposed to experience the learning process much better than students at any other school. The environment for the most part is satisfactory, except if you have classes in Lewis Hall. Lewis Hall is designed to be comfortable and should, therefore, be one of the best learning centers on campus (in reference to its physical structure).

In fact, that building would be far superior to that of any other building on campus, if the school were located in the North Pole.

For the past two years students and professors alike have attempted to eliminate the torrid temperatures that prevail in those classrooms. Last year it was rumored that "we will not turn the air conditioning on because of the energy shortage. This year it is rumored that the installation of the air conditioning - heating system was done by a company in Tampa." If the school wants the cycles switched and also wants to preserve its guarantee, this particular company must be called and, for a certain fee, will come to the college and change the cycle. The school sees this as an astronomical expense and, therefore, the students, who pay for the education and support this environment, cannot benefit from the luxury of air conditioning.

Students who are supposed to be learning and professors who work in this building must appeal to the administration to turn on the air conditioning, so that they can conduct the educational process without such trivial matters on their minds. We must seek to make the administrators who are cell sitting in nice cool air conditioned offices understand that environment stimulates the educational process, but that the environment of Lewis Hall is hindering the process at least temporarily. It has been two years so far, and who knows how long it will last?

Richard Mente

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Malachy Resigns

Town Seeks Applications For Commission

A committee to plan the interior and exterior needs of the town hall will be meeting in the coming weeks. Occupancy is not expected until late April.

Saint Leo Town Commissioner Fr. Malachy Maguire resigned his office effective February 7th. In a letter to the commission, Malachy cited his position at Hernando High School and the time involved in traveling to Saint Leo each month for meetings as reasons for resigning. Malachy also felt that he had been unable to take the necessary role in resolving the recent problems with the sewer plant rates because of his inability to make meetings with College, Abbey and Priory officials.

Malachy notified Mayor Sister Jerome Leavy at the January meeting of the resignation, but the Mayor adjourned the meeting before reading the statement of resignation. The resignation read to the commission last Thursday is effective February 7.

Under the terms of the town charter, there will be no election to fill the vacancy. The commission must appoint a new commissioner within 60 days. The town clerk will be taking resumés from persons interested in serving on the commission over the next few days. Mayor Leavy would like to vote on a new commissioner at the next town meeting, February 10 at 7:30 in St. Francis Hall room 11.

Any registered voter who has lived in the town of Saint Leo for at least the past two years and is interested in serving as a commissioner should contact the town clerk, Carol Haberle, in the town hall (located at the Abbey service entrance) or by phone, 588-2622.

St. Leo Town Hall Plans Readied

Meeting in special session last Thursday evening, the Saint Leo town commission voted to negotiate a contract with Saint Leo Abbey for the lease of a 100' x 200' plot of land on which to locate the town hall. The plot being considered is located along State Road 52, several hundred feet in front of the town sewage treatment plant.

The lease price of the property has not been fixed, but the motion passed by the commission called for a price of no more than 12% of its current market value, in addition to any possible real estate taxes. The lease would be renewable at five year intervals with a right of first refusal should the Abbey decide to sell the land in the future. The property is currently estimated to be worth approximately $6,000.

Also considered for location of the building was a plot located next to the Zepeda property. This lot was offered for sale by the Abbey for $4,500 but, because the land would require clearing, construction of a septic system and digging of a well, and because of its distance from the center of the town, the offer was rejected.

The town, at its January meeting, voted 3-1 in favor of purchasing a 60' x 24' modular building to house the town clerk, police chief and commission room. The building's bid cost to the town is $24,300. In accepting the bid, the commission rejected a proposal by Commissioner Greg Copeland to construct a geodesic dome similar to the one used by the college fine arts department at an estimated price of $15,000 to $20,000.

Radio Club Airs First Program

By Fr. Timothy Judd, c.s.v.

Last Saturday evening the first in a new series of radio programs entitled, "The Campus Report," went on the air. The program was on radio station WPAS in Zephyrhills at 7 p.m. The Campus Report will continue each week until the end of April.

The format of the program is threefold: general news events of the College, sports and an interview with some person of importance to the College and surrounding community.

Dr. Thomas B. Southard gave some delightful insights into the working of the College, as well as the effects of the College on the local community. Dr. Southard was interviewed by Tommy Schellenberg. John Boone was the moderator of the program and Terry McGough gave the news and sports.

The objectives of the program are to give Saint Leo students the opportunity of speaking on the radio and to tell the surrounding community what we are doing here at Saint Leo College. Joy Shepherd of the Public Information Office contributed various news events of the College.

Next week Father Leo Schlosser from Saint Leo Abbey will be interviewed with regards to the historical development of the Abbey. Contributions from the community are welcome and should be submitted for editing at the College Public Relations Office in St. Francis Hall.

EARLY HISTORY OF OUR COMMUNITY – PART I

'Black Brute Lynched At San Antonio'

Leo Zarifian

Even though San Antonio was established as a Catholic colony by Judge Dunne in 1887, justice and freedom for all were not always in the best Judeo-Christian tradition. Consider the following article which appeared in the San Antonio Herald in 1899:

BLACK BRUTE LYNCHED AT SAN ANTONIO

Alonzo Williams, a desperate Negro, brutally assaulted Miss Augusta Moan, at the residence of her uncle, Col. E. G. Liles, one of our most prominent citizens, Monday night. Miss Moan was alone and entering upon the piazza to see if her uncle was coming. She was unexpectedly siezed by the burly brute and, after a heroic struggle and terrible effort to free herself from his devilish clutches, she was choked into unconsciousness. Upon his return home, Col. Liles found her in the yard insensible. As soon as the story was told, a wave of indignation rolled across the entire community and a settled determination to find the devil and avenge the wrong done this most estimable lady by meting out summary punishment was formed at once. The tracks and circumstances preceding the crime pointed to Alonzo Williams. He was captured and, after a thorough and impartial investigation, his guilt was clearly evinced. He was led forth to be dealt with summarily, but justly, and in a few minutes the body of the fiend was dangling from the Corrigan Building and riddled with bullets, a fitting punishment that will always be dealt to such fiends so long as there is a spark of the fires of manhood in our breasts. The crime justified the punishment and he would be the most craven of cowards who would not vindicate a woman's honor. (Editor's Note – The Corrigan Building was located approximately 300 yards north-east of the McDonald Center.)

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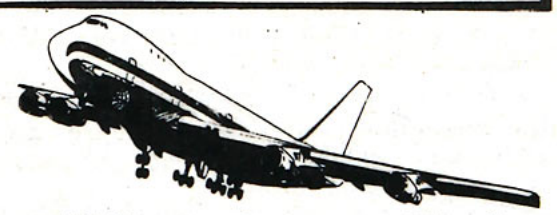

wouldn't you rather come with us?

Last year over 200,000 students summered in Europe. And the travelwise flew on charters because it costs about HALF! This year a 3 - 6 week ticket to London is $512.; 2 - 3 weeker $597. And its $767. for over six weeks from New York. (That's what the airlines say now. Last year there were two unforcast increases!)

Not only do you fly with us at half, but you can just about have your choice of dates for 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 week duration during the summer. And all you have to do to qualify is reserve your seat now by sending $100. deposit, plus $10. registration fee. Under recently new U. S. Government regulations we must submit all flight participants names and full payment sixty days before each flight. If you take the June 21 - August 19 flight to London for example, deposit reserves your seat and April 15 you send the $199. balance. Just one price for all flights whether you pick a weekend departure ($15. extra on the regular fare airlines) or peak season surcharge date.

So send for our complete schedule, or to be sure of your reservation now, mail your deposit for one of our 3 to 5 weekly departures from June through September. Just specify the week you want to travel and for how long. You will receive your exact date confirmation and receipt by return mail. All our flights are via fully certificated, U. S. Government standard jet and all first class service. From London there are many student flights to all parts of the Continent, frequent departures and many at 2/3 off the regular fare.

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Many Student Financial Aid Programs Available

Liz Shonter

There is a wide array of financial aid programs available on the federal and state level. Approximately 50 per cent of all students attending Saint Leo are now on financial aid. This includes those with loans, grants, and students who are participants in the College Work Study Program.

To be considered for financial aid, students must file either a Parents' Confidential Statement (PCF) or a Students' Financial Statement (SFS) depending on their status. In these the students must state Saint Leo College as the recipient. On calculation, these statements must be filed in the testing centers to determine what students need financial assistance.

To receive federal funds, the students' financial reports must evidence a need. After the statements have been calculated, they are returned to the college and filed in the order of most needy to least needy. All programs concerning loans or grants are then assigned to students according to their need. Student need is not determined by Saint Leo, but by national standards which the College Testing Service has developed to indicate how much money a family can afford to spend on the education of its children.

The student must then gather information on any possible aid which is available to him. Students from Florida can obtain information from the financial aid office on state grants and loans, but students from other states must seek this information on their own.

A student from Florida must have been a resident of the state for two years and must evidence a great need. Grants are available through the state of Florida, but the individual must apply for them before March 1, 1975.

Information on aid programs in other states can be obtained by writing the state scholarship agency in the capital city of the state. Aside from state programs, there may be local programs which offer funds to students.

There are a variety of federal programs for which students can make application. To be considered for these for the 1975-76 school year, a PCS or SFS should be returned from the Testing Center to the college by May 15.

The National Defense Student Loan is a loan of up to $1,000 yearly. The student can apply for the loan here at Saint Leo. The interest rate at which the loan must be paid back is 3 per cent, and this is not added on until nine months after graduation.

Basic Education Opportunity Grants (BEOG) provide grants up to $1,400, but usually average $800 yearly. There is no application fee for this grant, but it is stipulated that to be eligible for these funds, the student cannot have been in college prior to April of '73. This grant is now available to this year's sophomore and freshman classes and, as all other federal programs, it is based on need.

Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants (SEOG) is a federal program that provides assistance on the basis of need. The student may receive from $200 to $1,500 yearly, up to a total of $4,000 for a four year program. These funds must not exceed 50 per cent of the student's financial need and must be matched by another source.

The College Work Study Program provides jobs for students with demonstrated financial need. Students should apply for CWS at the financial aid office. The hours of work are controlled (15 hours per week unless during vacation period) and the maximum amount which can be earned by students is $300 per semester. To be considered, either the PCS or SFS must be on file with the financial aid office.

The Guaranteed Student Loan Program (GSLP) and Federally Insured Student Loan (FISL) are available through banks and credit unions. The federal government pays the interest on these loans (usually 7 per cent) until the student graduates, at which time the students repay the loan at the agreed interest rate. Information on these loans is available from banks, credit unions, and other lending institutions.

Anyone with questions regarding Florida and/or federal programs should contact Mrs. Fran Ahern at the Records Office. The applications for the federal programs and financial statements are available at the financial aid office. Students are urged to look into state and local opportunities, as the deadlines for the next year's programs are usually in March or April.

There are also programs available at Saint Leo, which will be discussed in an article next week.

'Brothers' Become 'Fathers' Saturday

Two Benedictine monks of Saint Leo Abbey will be ordained priests here in the abbey church by Most Rev. Charles B. McLaughlin, Bishop of St. Petersburg, on February 8 at 10:00 a.m..

Father Patrick Shelton, O.S.B., is the son of James M. Shelton and the late Sara P. Shelton. He graduated from McKinley High School, Niles, O., in 1948. He operated his own neighborhood grocery store, taught CCD classes, was a member of the St. Vincent de Paul Society, and advisor to CYO. He built a hot dog shop, was a house painter, worked in a steel mill, drove a bread truck, and was a U.S. Postal carrier.

He came to Saint Leo February 9, 1966 and made his first vows in 1968. He graduated from Saint Leo College in 1971. In September of 1971 he went to the Franciscan School of Theology, Berkeley, California, where he completed his theological studies in December, 1974.

Father Hugh O'Regan, O.S.B., is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius O'Regan, Miami, Fla.. He is a graduate of Christopher Columbus High School, Miami, Miami Dade Jr. College, and Saint Leo College. He received the Master of Divinity degree from St. Meinrad School of Theology, Indiana, and a Master's in Religion from Indiana University.

SPECIAL NOTICE!

The Deadline for Encounter has been extended to March 3. Please submit any literary or artistic creations to Liz Shonter, as soon as possible. Thank You!

Further information may be obtained at Department of Language and Literature or the Monarch office, ext. 220.

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News Notes

PARIS (LNS) – In a limited victory for French women, the French National Assembly voted to legalize abortion by a vote of 284 to 189 on November 28. Previously it was a criminal offense to have an abortion as well as to counsel, arrange or perform one, and punishable by fines or imprisonment.

"The sole purpose of the new law," Veil stated, "was to allow women who are now having abortions under terrible conditions to have them under slightly better conditions."

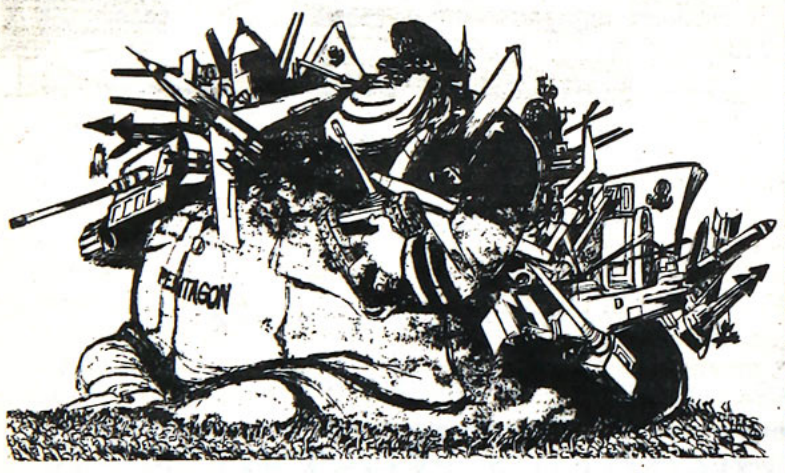
The law stipulates that abortions must be performed in the first 10 weeks of pregnancy, and only in state-approved public or private hospitals. The cost of abortions will not be covered by the national health plan, although the government will set standard fees.

Publicity or information about abortion methods and services is still illegal except when printed in professional medical and pharmaceutical journals. And minors still cannot have abortions legally without parental consent.

NEW YORK (LNS) – Two recent examples of the Pentagon's effort to keep the lid on inflation:

**The Air Force recently wanted to install beds at a Minuteman missile installation, but instead of buying beds from a commercial manufacturer the Air Force hired a private contractor to "invent" a bed. The contractor had "invented" the beds by taking $23 Army cots and simply adding brackets to attach the beds to the floor.

**Congress this year approved funds for the completion of another missile defense system – this one in North Dakota – that is scheduled to be demolished as soon as it is finished. The fact that the missile system is obsolete and scheduled for destruction upon completion could not be mentioned during Congressional debate because the plans were stamped "Secret."



200 CHEATERS CAUGHT AT UF

More than 200 University of Florida students may be subject to disciplinary action because of widespread cheating in all but seven business courses. One university official said, "At least 200 are involved. There may be more. How many more, we don't know at this time, but so far all are undergraduates."

SENATORS PICKED TO INVESTIGATE CIA

The Senate recently established an 11 member committee to investigate alleged CIA wrongdoings. The committee will examine allegations that the CIA illegally gathered information on thousands of American war protestors. The committee is empowered to review the practices of the CIA, FBI and other government intelligence units.

NEW YORK (LNS) – Ever hear of the Full Employment Act? That's one we won't hear about from the Ford Administration. It was created by Congress in 1946 and makes the government responsible for creating and maintaining "conditions under which there will be afforded useful employment opportunities, including self-employment for those able, willing and seeking work."

Believe it or not, the law is still on the books.

National Guard Troops stand vigil over Menominee occupation in Wisconsin.

Gallo Boycott '75 'Bottles Off The Shelves'

OAKLAND, Ca. (LNS) – The United Farm Workers Union (UFW) has launched a nationwide "Bottles Off the Shelves" boycott campaign aimed at forcing Ernest and Julio Gallo Wineries to give up the "sweetheart" contract it signed with the Teamsters Union in 1973 and return to a contract with the UFW. Gallo is the largest winery in the United States.

Already picket line activity has hit more than 60 cities, as well as farm worker communities throughout California. In the first weeked of picketing in the Bay Area, January 10 - 12, 20 groups of UFW supporters picketed more than 50 liquor stores. Six of the stores visited on the first night in San Francisco removed Gallo from their shelves.

In the Salinas Valley, nine stores in Watsonville are reported already clean of Gallo, as are a number of stores in the small farm worker towns around Fresno.

The nation-wide campaign plans to make a special effort to involve student communities because many of Gallo's "pop wines" are aimed at the youth market. A National Student Committee for Farm Workers has been formed in Washington, D.C., to coordinate the Gallo campus boycott, in conjunction with the National Student Association.

Headquartered in Modesto, the Gallo Company is no small time operation. Though the winery buys most of its grapes from independent growers, it has 10,000 acres of its own grapes, employing 600 seasonal and permanent workers.

And one of every three bottles of wine sold in the U.S. is produced by Gallo. Whether it's labelled Red Mountain, Ripple, Thunderbird, Spanada, Madria-Madria Sangria, Boone's Farm or Andre Champagne, Gallo makes it.

Now Gallo is reaching out with a higher class, higher priced varietal-type wine, hoping to capture an even larger share of the market.

The case of the Gallo Company offers a good example of the issues involved in the three cornered UFW - Grower - Teamster battle.

The UFW represented Gallo's field workers from 1967 until 1973, when the company signed up with the Teamsters.

Gallo claims the Teamsters genuinely represent the workers, offering as proof the 1973 158-1 contract vote. However, Gallo fails to mention that the contract was ratified by strike breakers.

The UFW had called a strike two weeks before the pact was signed and most of the Gallo workers joined that strike.

In fact, 71 families living in shabby, unsanitary Gallo-provided housing, refused to go to work, preferring to join the picket line. Gallo fired these workers and obtained a court order to raze the camps to the ground. The contract was then voted in by scabs.

The 1973 Teamster contract also eliminated a series of protections that the UFW contract had guaranteed. For example, the union-run hiring hall gave the UFW farm workers the power to allocate jobs and determine seniority; power once left solely in the hands of the farm supervisors or contractors. But the Teamsters have abolished the hiring hall.

Why boycott Gallo Wines?

Because Gallo is trying to destroy the union its workers built.

United Farm Workers of America (AFL-CIO)
P.O. Box 62
Keene, Ca. 93531

Gallo's sales have been significantly hurt in the past year and a half. California wine sales figures show that Gallo's share of state wine production during the first six months of 1974 dropped from the same period in 1973.

Other developments in the wine industry (like weather conditions) complicate the picture, but various sources, from the Washington POst to the Wall Street Journal, have reported that Gallo's share of the market has fallen off and that sales are down between nine and twenty per cent.

As a further indication that things aren't going well for the company, Gallo has launched an extensive counter attack against the UFW boycott. In letters sent to religious leaders, groups, and publications across the country, Ernest Gallo says, "My brother Julio and I are distressed at the position taken in the jurisdictional dispute between the UFW and the Teamsters." The letters contain Gallo's appraisal of the situation.

But the UFW has a strategy to cover Gallo's plans. With liberal Democrat Edmund Brown elected as governor of California, the UFW plans to introduce legislation, narrowly defeated in the last legislative session, which would give the farm workers the right to supervised free elections but would not take away the right to secondary boycotts. (A secondary boycott is one directed towards the businesses who sell the product.)

The growers have maintained that they would like free elections "under the National Labor Relations Act (NLRA)," but the UFW has resisted the inclusion of farm workers under that act because the NLRA prohibits secondary boycotts.

The Bay Area boycott campaign is building for a week-long march, February 22 to March 1 from Oakland to Gallo's headquarters in Modesto to dramatize this demand for legislation.

In addition, the UFW has recently filed a $225 million antitrust lawsuit against Gallo charging a wide variety of illegal practices aimed at monopolizing the market of popularly priced wines. The class action suit charges that Gallo's monopoly costs the wine consumer an estimated $60 million in artificially inflated prices.

Monominee War Council Gets Monestery

On Sunday, February 2, 1975, the Alexian Brothers announced that they would give the Menomonie War Council the monastery they took over on New Years Day for a token fee of one dollar. The monastery is valued at 3/4 of a million dollars.

The monastery was taken over by armed Indians and has been under siege for the entire month of January. The victory has added a new spark to the Indian movement. The local district attorney has stated that all those inside the monastery are going to be booked on criminal charges. Marlon Brando is one of those still holding out inside.

Demonstration at courthouse in support of indians occupying monestery.

...More News Notes

WEATHER UNDERGROUND BOMBS STATE BUILDING

A militant group of revolutionaries, called the Weather Underground, took credit for an early morning bombing of a State Department building that occurred last week. They later made a series of bomb threats against other Washington office buildings, causing 6,000 government employees to evacuate the building. In Oakland, a ticking bomb was detonated in the street after it was discovered in a government building. The FBI is now looking for about 29 Weather Underground members. According to the group, the bombings are directed toward an end to U.S. involvement in Vietnam and Cambodia.

WASHINGTON, D.C. (LNS) – According to the U.S. Labor Department's Wage and Hour Division, employers have been increasingly violating federal wage and hour laws.

Between the months of June and September, 1974, employers paid workers $22.3 million less than required by federal laws, according to a recent Labor Department release. During the three-month period, a total of 37,500 workers were known to have been illegally paid less than the federal minimum wage by an amount totalling $5,264,000.

Other categories of underpayment include overtime underpayments ($9,447,000), equal pay violations for women ($5,739,000) and equal pay violations for the elderly ($878,000).

The Labor Department admits underpayment of employees is much more widespread than the statistics indicate, and that the released figures include only cases which have come to the Labor Department's attention.

"CONTINUED FAIR AND MILD WITH..... HOLD ON! A BULLETIN JUST IN!..... PARTLY CLOUDY....UH....WITH CHANCE OF RAIN!"

VATICAN LOSES $56 MILLION

Massimo Spada, longtime financial advisor to the Vatican, said the Vatican has lost about $56 million as a result of a banking scandal. Spada reportedly said the Vatican bought a 20% interest in the Banca Unione in 1961. In 1970 the bank came under the control of Italian financier Michele Sindona. Sindona's banking empires have recently collapsed, after massive losses in foreign exchange operations. Spada also mentioned that the Vatican's liquid assets are near $1.5 billion.

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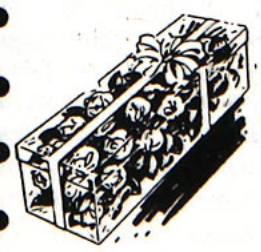

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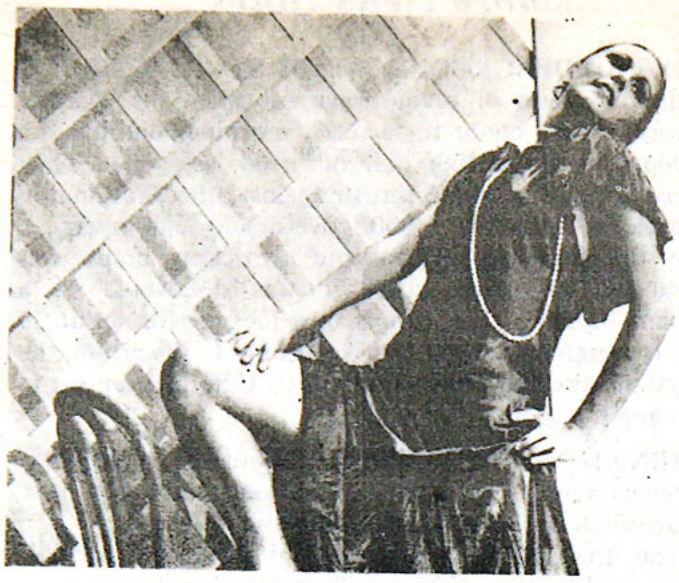

At the left is Paige Brown, Saint Leo's young Coquette, she plays a major vocal role as Sally Bowles. Below...Emcee Stephen Ray with Carmel Jasper, the vivacious and voluptuos Fraulein Schneider. Lower left...Paige Brown with her lover Clifford Bradshaw, portrayed by Tony Zangla.

Cabaret Nears

By Joe Grund

Less than a week from today, within five days to be more accurate, the College Theatre will present "Cabaret." On Thursday of last week, a Monarch reporter attended a rehearsal to find out just how well the production was coming along.

At the two week mark, it was apparent that much remained to be done in order to present this popular musical. The inadequate stage immediately presents problems for the large orchestra. There is no room for an orchestra pit, therefore, they play alongside the stage, projecting music over the audience. This makes it very difficult to hear the lyrics of the Emcee, played by Stephen Ray.

There were other signs indicative of a cast in trouble. The props had not been completed. The costumes were scrace. The stage direction was chaotic and the director was uptight.

These conditions may seem hopeless, but a lot can be accomplished by a determined, dedicated crew and cast. What was most encouraging about the rehearsal was that everyone involved cooperated with the direction, concerned for the play's progress and generally very serious throughout the rehearsal. These are qualities that make for a successful performance and, in two weeks, much can develop with these attributes. And, of course, with such a beautiful cast, the play can't possibly be a total disaster. Come and find out on the 12 - 15th in the College Theatre.

Old Age Topic Of Seminar

Next Tuesday four experts in the field of gerontology (aging) will lead a panel discussion at the Honors Seminar on the various aspects of aging.

The panelists are from the Florida Mental Health Institute in Tampa and will specifically deal with the myths of getting old and the biological, psychological and social aspects of aging.

The guests include the assistant program director, Ms. Marianne Carlson, program consultant Mr. Michael O'Sullivan, Ms. Ann MacConnachie a gerontological social worker and Dr. Edward Flemming gerontological psychologist. Dr. Flemming is a professor of psychology at Saint Leo who is presently on a leave of absence.

Members of the college community are welcome to attend the seminar which will be held in room 11 St. Francis Hall at 4:00 on the 11th of February.

EVENTS CALENDAR

Thursday, Feb. 6 – Women's basketball Fla. Southern Away; I-M basketball; Senate meeting Selby 4:00 p.m.

Friday, Feb. 7 – CUB dance featuring "Sunshine" Student Center

Saturday, Feb. 8 – Basketball Fla. Inst. of Tech. Home 8 p.m.; JV Lakeland AAU Home 6 p.m.; JV Baseball Away

Sunday, Feb. 9 – Masses at Abbey 7:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.; Masses at Priory 9:30 a.m., 7:00 p.m.

Monday, Feb. 10 – JV basketball Fla. Southern Home 8 p.m.

Tuesday, Feb. 11 – Basketball Fla. Tech Away; Women's basketball Away; I-M basketball

Wednesday, Feb. 12 – JV basketball Polk J.C. Home 7:30 p.m.; Men's tennis U. of Tampa Away; Women's basketball Away

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